

Thursday, February 2, 1995

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Nineteen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 332–350. **Pages S2034–35**

Balanced Budget Constitutional Amendment: Senate continued consideration of H.J. Res. 1, proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Pages S1980–95, S2006–33

Senate will resume consideration of the resolution on Friday, February 3.

Appointments:

Joint Economic Committee: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to section 1024, title 15, United States Code, announced the following Majority appointments to the Joint Economic Committee: Senators Mack (Chairman), Roth, Craig, Bennett, Santorum, and Grams. **Page S2027**

Joint Committee on Taxation: The Chair announced on behalf of the Chairman of the Committee on Finance, pursuant to section 8002 of title 26, United States Code, a substitution in the membership of the Joint Committee on Taxation: Senator Hatch for the duration of the 104th Congress only, in lieu of Senator Dole, resigned. **Page S2027**

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Recess: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 6:08 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, February 3, 1995. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's RECORD on page S2074.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

HUD MANAGEMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies resumed hearings to examine the management and budgetary situation at the Department of Housing and Urban Development, receiving testimony from Nicholas P. Retsinas, Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and Federal Housing Commissioner; Mayor Steve Bartlett, Dallas, Texas, on behalf of the Conference of Mayors; Richard G. Grose, Missouri Housing Development Commission, on behalf of the National Council of State Housing Agencies, and Kenneth Bacchus, on behalf of the National League of Cities, both of Kansas City, Missouri; Gregory Byrne, Dade County Department of Housing and Urban Development, Miami, Florida, on behalf of the Council of Large Public Housing Authorities; Richard C. Gentry, Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority, Richmond, Virginia, on behalf of the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials; Johrita Solari and David Smith, both on behalf of the National Assisted Housing Management Association, Alexandria, Virginia; and Charles S. Wilkens, Jr., National Housing Partnership, and Michael Bodaken, National Housing Trust, both of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Eleanor Hill, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of Defense, and 10,759 military nominations in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force.

NATIONAL STRATEGY

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings to examine the foundations of United States national strategy, after receiving testimony from Henry A. Kissinger, former Secretary of State.

BLOCK GRANTS

Committee on the Budget: Committee continued hearings to examine issues relative to restructuring the Federal budget process, focusing on the Federal, State, and local block grant system, receiving testimony from Michigan Governor John Engler, Lansing; Mayor Stephen Goldsmith, Indianapolis, Indiana; and Clint Bolick, Institute for Justice, Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

U.S. SAVINGS

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine the potential for targeted incentives to increase domestic savings, receiving testimony from William G. Gale, Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C.; and Laurence J. Kotlikoff, Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts, Jonathan Skinner, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, and David A. Wise, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, all on behalf of the National Bureau of Economic Research.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Martin S. Indyk, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to Israel, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Lieberman and Moynihan, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

GOVERNMENT REFORM: INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee held hearings to examine how the performance of new information technology by Federal agencies can reduce costs and improve the quality of Government services, receiving testimony from Charles A. Bowsher, Comptroller General of the United States; Cynthia Kendall, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Information Management; Gary Kavanaugh, Deputy Director, Bureau of Program Operations, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and George Newstrom, EDS Corporation, Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Subcommittee on Education, Arts and Humanities concluded hearings to examine education's impact on economic competitiveness, after receiving testimony from Robert Kominski, Assistant Division Chief for Social and Demographic Statistics, Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce; former New Jersey Governor Thomas H. Kean, Drew University, Madison, New Jersey; Joseph T. Gorman, TRW Inc., Cleveland, Ohio; Alan L. Wurtzel, Circuit City Stores Inc., Washington, D.C.; Joseph L. Dionne, McGraw-Hill, Inc., New York, New York; Morton Owen Schapiro, University of Southern California, Los Angeles; John H. Bishop, Cornell University, Ithaca; and Kent Lloyd, Knowledge Network for All Americans, Arlington, Virginia.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty public bills, H.R. 791–810; and two private bills, H.R. 811–812, were introduced. Pages H1156–57

Reports Filed: The following reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 665, to control crime by mandatory victim restitution, amended (H. Rept. 104–16); and

H.R. 666, to control crime by exclusionary rule reform (H. Rept. 104–17). Page H1156

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Dreier to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H1075

Line-Item Veto: House completed all general debate and began consideration of amendments to H.R. 2, to give the President line-item veto authority over appropriation Acts and targeted tax benefits in revenue Acts. Consideration of amendments will resume on Friday, February 3. Pages H1078–H1142

Agreed To:

The Blute technical amendment; Page H1105

The Clinger amendment that provides clarifying language more closely defining the President's line-item veto authority as limited to dollar amounts specified in appropriation Acts, conference reports and their accompanying joint explanatory statements, thus preventing the President from going outside these parameters and changing statutory language; Page H1107

The Pelosi amendment that provides language prohibiting the President from changing any limitation of discretionary budget authority set forth in any appropriation Act; **Page H1107**

The Thurman amendment that provides that any Member of the House, if supported by 49 other Members, may move to strike the disapproval of any rescission (or rescissions) of budget authority or any proposed repeal of a targeted tax benefit, as applicable; and **Page H1130**

The Deal amendment that provides for expedited judicial review of the constitutionality of provisions. **Page H1139**

Rejected:

The Moran amendment that sought to exempt the Judicial Branch from the scope of the line-item veto (rejected by a recorded vote of 119 ayes to 309 noes, Roll No. 85); **Pages H1115–16**

The Slaughter amendment that sought to provide language which would expand the definition of “targeted tax benefit” to mean any provision of a revenue Act which has the practical effect of providing a benefit in the form of a different treatment to a particular taxpayer or a limited class of taxpayers (rejected by a recorded vote of 196 ayes to 231 noes, Roll No. 86); **Page H1125**

The Skelton amendment that sought to provide that the President may not include in a special message any rescission of more than \$50 million of discretionary budget authority for any program, project, or activity within the major functional category for national defense (rejected by recorded vote of 52 ayes to 362 noes, Roll No. 87); **Page H1138**

The Weldon amendment to the foregoing Skelton amendment that the President may not include in a special message any rescission of more than \$200 million of discretionary budget authority for any program, project, or activity within the major functional category for national defense; and **Page H1138**

The Kanjorski amendment that sought to provide that the provisions will terminate after five years (rejected by a recorded vote of 153 ayes to 258 noes, Roll No. 88). **Pages H1141–42**

A point of order was sustained against the Gene Green of Texas amendment to the foregoing Skelton amendment that sought to exempt Medicare legislation in addition to national defense programs from the Presidential line-item veto. **Page H1135**

H. Res. 55, the rule under which the bill is being considered, was agreed to earlier by a voice vote. **Page H1085**

Committees to Sit: It was made in order that the following committees and subcommittees be permitted to sit on Friday, February 3 during proceedings of the House under the five-minute rule: Com-

mittees on Economic and Educational Opportunities, Judiciary, and Science. **Page H1142**

Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appears on page H1157.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1115–16, H1125, H1138, and H1141–42. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:14 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development met in executive session to hold a hearing on Department of Energy’s Reprogramming in Support of the North Korean Accord. Testimony was heard from Charles B. Curtis, Under Secretary, Department of Energy.

LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction held a hearing on Quality of Life in the Military. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Sgt. Maj. Richard A. Kidd, USA; Master Chief Petty Officer John Hagan, USN; Sgt. Maj. H.G. Overstreet, USMC; and Chief Master Sgt. David J. Campanale, USAF.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Inspector General/Department of Transportation Programs. Testimony was heard from A. Mary Schiavo, Inspector General, Department of Transportation.

VETERANS AFFAIRS, HUD, AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Veterans’ Affairs, Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies held a hearing on Restructuring Government. Testimony was heard from Mary

Nichols, Assistant Administrator, Air and Radiation, EPA; Jim Strock, Secretary, Environmental Protection Agency, State of California; and public witnesses.

JOB CREATION AND WAGE ENHANCEMENT ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Hazardous Materials and the Subcommittee on Health and the Environment concluded joint hearings on Title III, Risk and Assessment and Cost/Benefit Analysis for New Regulations, of H.R. 9, Job Creation and Wage Enhancement Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from Sally Katzen, Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB; Lynn Goldman, M.D., Assistant Administrator, Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances, EPA; Eric Rubel, General Counsel, Consumer Product Safety Commission; Bill Schultz, Deputy Commissioner, Policy, Office of Policy, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; Tara O'Toole, M.D., Assistant Secretary, Environment, Safety and Health, Department of Energy; Edwin D. Jones, Deputy Associate Program Leader, Risk Assessment, System Engineering and Human Performance, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory; and public witnesses.

IMPACT OF WORKPLACE AND EMPLOYMENT REGULATION ON BUSINESS

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations and the Subcommittee on Regulation and Paperwork of the Committee on Small Business held a joint hearing on "The Impact of Workplace and Employment Regulation on Business." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES AND BARRIERS IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing on U.S. Economic Opportunities and Barriers in Asia and the Pacific. Testimony was heard from Charlene Barshefsky, Deputy U.S. Trade Representative; Jeffrey Garten, Under Secretary, International Trade, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

COUNTRY REPORTS ON HUMAN RIGHTS PRACTICES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on Country Reports on Human Rights Practices for 1994. Testimony was heard from John H. Shattuck, Assistant Secretary, Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, Department of State.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAW ENFORCEMENT BLOCK GRANTS ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported amended H.R. 728, Local Government Law Enforcement Block Grants Act of 1995.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 694, Minor Boundary Adjustments and Miscellaneous Park Amendments Act of 1995; H.R. 606, to amend the Dayton Aviation Heritage Preservation Act of 1992; and H.R. 621, to amend the act of January 26, 1915, establishing Rocky Mountain National Park, to provide for the protection of certain lands in Rocky Mountain National Park and along North St. Vrain Creek. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hall of Ohio, Hobson and Skaggs; Denis P. Galvin, Associate Director, Planning and Development, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

SHIPPING ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on the Shipping Act of 1984. Testimony was heard from William D. Hathway, Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission; former Representative Helen D. Bentley of Maryland; Robert Quarrel, former Commissioner, Federal Maritime Commission; and public witnesses.

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources continued hearings on H.R. 4, Personal Responsibility Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives McDermott, Mineta, Franks of Connecticut and Ganske; Harvey Hilderbran, member, House of Representatives, State of Texas; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue February 6.

Joint Meetings

LEGISLATIVE SUPPORT AGENCIES

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Appropriations' Subcommittee on Legislative Branch concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Appropriations' Subcommittee on Legislative to examine issues relative to the downsizing of Legislative Branch support agencies, after receiving testimony from L. Walter Freeman, Director for Real Estate and Facilities, Washington Headquarters Services, Department of Defense; Joseph R. Wright, Jr., New York, New York, former Director, Office of Management and Budget; Danford L. Sawyer, Jr. and John J. Boyle,

both former Public Printers, Government Printing Office; Chris Hill, George Mason University, Fairfax, Virginia; Norman J. Ornstein, American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research, Thomas A. Schatz, Citizens Against Government Waste, David M. Mason, Heritage Foundation, Tim Sprehe, and Richard Haase, all of Washington, D.C.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1995

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings are scheduled.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, on Public Witnesses, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 9, Job Cre-

ation and Wage Enhancement Act of 1995; issues in the Contract With America dealing with Title VI: Strengthening Regulatory Flexibility; Title VII: Regulatory Impact Analysis; and Title VIII: Protection Against Federal Regulatory Abuse, 9:30 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on Term Limits for Members of the United States Senate and House of Representatives, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, to continue hearings on Risk Assessment and Cost-Benefit Analysis, 11:30 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Human Resources and the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth and Families of the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities, joint hearing on Contract With America: Child Care/Child Welfare, 9 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee, to hold hearings on the employment-unemployment situation for January, 9:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Friday, February 3

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Friday, February 3

Senate Chamber

Program for Friday: After the recognition of two Senators for speeches and the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 10 a.m.), Senate will continue consideration of H.J. Res. 1, Balanced Budget Constitutional Amendment.

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Continued consideration of H.R. 2, Line-Item Veto.

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